

REMARKS

Claims 12-22 remain in this application. Claims 1-11 have been canceled.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item:

A new Abstract of the Disclosure

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A hearing aid to be placed in the auditory canal. This hearing aid is composed of one side that is fitted near the outside of the ear and another side that has to be fitted facing the eardrum. The two sides are connected to each other by way of a curvature. This curvature is such that the hearing aid can be used either on the left or on the right by further special measures such as central positioning of the microphone input in the head end face of the one side, making use of only two angles of curvature of approximately 15° and approximately 45° , and using switching elements. In this way it is possible to provide a hearing aid that can be used either on the left or on the right.